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from the EDITOR'S CHAIR

LACK OF CONFIDENCE?

What does the recent stock market slump mean? Do investors lack confidence in our booming economy? Do they see deflation and depression ahead? We in labor are interested in interest rates for two main reasons: They hurt the consumer—that's us. And they slow sales of new homes, which cuts jobs in the building trades and related occupations.

But how about the effect of high interest rates on other parts of our economy? How is Wall Street reacting, for instance?

Is the rush to sell stocks a sign that too-high interest rates are curbing industrial expansion? Do stock speculators agree with former President Harry Truman that continued rising interest rates will cause deflation and depression?

Right now, the consumer buying boom continues unabated. It appears that the man on the street doesn't care—or doesn't know—what rate he pays for installment plan purchases or revolving charge accounts.

But this, in itself, is an unhealthy sign. And more buying means higher prices. Sooner or later the public will feel the pinch. Then buying will slow down. Demand for goods and services will be less, and factories will stop producing and will lay off people.

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REDUCE INFLATION

Now you may say that the war in Vietnam will keep people employed. And they'll keep spending money, thus keeping up the demand for civilian goods and services.

However, the stock market wavered a few months before it took the plunge into the Great Depression in 1929. And too much buying on credit by the public was one of the reasons that bust was so big and catastrophic to millions of workers, farmers and businessmen, alike.

Maybe we've learned our lesson. Maybe our government can now control these disastrous cycles in our economy.

But the fact is that spiraling interest rates, which were triggered by a jump in discount rates to banks by the Federal Reserve Board last year, haven't reduced inflation. Except in the construction industry, inflation is worse.

Our wages haven't kept up with zooming prices, caused by high profits and high interest rates.

The first step to curb inflation and prevent disaster should be a cut in basic interest rates by the Federal Reserve Board—or government action to take this power out of the hands of the board if it doesn't do this.

OFFICIAL NOTICES

Unions will find notices of important meetings called by their officers on page 5 of this issue of the Journal.

AFLCIO Labor Day Picnic -- big turnout predicted



FOOD FOR DELANO grape strikers was collected by East Bay Skills Center trainees, who also donated \$31.85 for the striking agricultural workers. Getting the food ready for shipment are Albert Sanders, left, and George Valenzuela, trainee councilmen. As President Cliff Sanders of East Bay Skill Center Teachers 1688 remarked: "It's a case of the poor helping the poor."

Brown Wires CLC

'Decision to resign Wedemeyer's own'

Governor Edmund G. (Pat) Brown, in a telegram to the Alameda County Central Labor Council, said it was not his intention to "precipitate" the resignation of J. M. Wedemeyer, state director of social welfare.

"I think too much has been made of the supposed differences in our views," the governor said.

Governor Brown wired the Labor Council's office in response to a request made at the Aug. 15 council meeting by Rodney Larson, international representative for the American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees, AFLCIO, a delegate.

Larson asked that the council's President Russell Crowell and Executive Secretary-Treasurer Robert S. Ash request full reports on Wedemeyer's recent resignation both from the governor and from Wedemeyer himself.

Although Larson expressed concern over the possible effects of the resignation upon state social welfare policy, Governor Brown said in his telegram that it "should not be interpreted as a major change."

No reply had been received from Wedemeyer as of Tuesday.

FULL TEXT OF TELEGRAM

Following is the full text of Governor Brown's telegram, as released by Ash:

"I appreciate your interest in the circumstances as reported in the newspapers concerning Mr. Wedemeyer's resignation. I think too much has been made of the supposed differences in our views. We did differ on use of public funds for recipient groups.

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Brown, Lynch to speak; program of games, show

A record turnout is predicted for this year's Alameda County AFLCIO Labor Day Picnic Monday at the County Fairgrounds in Pleasanton, with a visit by Governor Edmund G. (Pat) Brown as the featured attraction.

Also included in the low \$1-per-family price will be:

- A two-hour variety show with six top quality professional acts.

- Awarding of an expense-paid trip for two persons to Mexico City and Acapulco, a portable television set and many other valuable items.

- A brief talk by State Attorney General Tom Lynch and appearances by candidates for Congress, the Legislature and local offices endorsed by the Alameda County AFLCIO Council on Political Education.

- Games for youngsters under the direction of skilled recreational leaders.

- Get-togethers in their own areas for many individual unions.

TICKETS AT GATE

The picnic will start at 9 a.m., according to Robert S. Ash, secretary-treasurer of Alameda County COPE, and tickets will be on sale at the gate to the fairgrounds.

The variety show is scheduled for 2-4 p.m. in the Court of the Four Seasons at the fairgrounds, and Governor Brown and Attorney General Lynch are on the program for 4 p.m.

This year's entertainers, Ash said, will include:

- Master of Ceremonies Berl Williams, a talented comedian who has appeared on the Patti Page Show on television and at top hotels across the nation.

- Don Bexley, comic guitarist, a veteran of the Johnny Carson TV show and recent headliner at San Francisco's Purple Onion.

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Cranston, Lynch, Petris, Rumford to be at COPE kickoff in South County

State Controller Alan Cranston, State Attorney General Thomas Lynch and Assemblymen Nicholas Petris and Byron Rumford will be at the grand opening of Southern Alameda County COPE headquarters Tuesday, Sept. 10.

This was announced by W. R. Jacobs, assistant COPE secretary, who said the free event for all unionists and their families, originally set this week, had been postponed.

Festivities will start at 2 p.m. at the headquarters, 37581 Niles Rd. in the Niles District of Fremont. There will be free beer, soft drinks and hot dogs.

Labor Day Edition

We had so many Labor Day greetings from unions and business firms they wouldn't fit into one 16 page issue.

So here's our second Labor Day edition.

Ironworkers 378 will start receiving the East Bay Labor Journal with this issue. Their column is on page 7.

Other union columns are on pages 2, 7, 9, 11, 13 and 14 this week.

And don't forget to attend the Alameda County AFLCIO Labor Day Picnic!

Unionists invited to join picketing of school board

All union members are invited to help East Bay Municipal Employees 390 picket the San Lorenzo Unified School District's board meeting at 6:30 p.m. next Tuesday, Sept. 6.

Local 390 represents classified—or non-professional—employees of the school district, who are objecting to pitifully small salary increases they are being offered.

San Lorenzo has just received nearly \$500,000 under a new state law to aid "impoverished" school districts.

But only \$75,000 of this is earmarked for the low-paid employees represented by Local 390, who charge they are being discriminated against and offered only 5 per cent increases to cover a three year period.

In contrast, Local 390 Organizer Bill Koethke said that:

- The district's Personnel Board this Spring recommended a 10 per cent increase just to bring employees up to minimums of surrounding districts.

- Teachers and other certified employees have been promised

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HOW TO BUY

Credit cards means extra costs

By SIDNEY MARGOLIUS

Labor Consumer Advisor for Labor Journal

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In America, even the poor have credit cards.

Or, at least, the almost-poor do.

Now even department discount and neighborhood stores offer credit cards.

Some astute working families are getting uneasy about how much they have to pay in hidden fees for credit cards which allow you to charge in various stores in your area.

These arewide credit cards usually are sponsored by local banks or finance companies. By using one of these cards, you can charge virtually all your needs. You live now, pay later.

"Forget about cash when you shop," one big Eastern bank advertises. "Our credit card gives you charge privileges at thousands of stores."

But there are a couple of catches.

One is that after a number of days of "free" credit usually 10 to 30 days, depending on the plan — you have to pay a "carrying charge," generally 1 1/4 or 1 1/2 per cent a month.

This sounds like very little. But it is really the equivalent of a true annual interest rate of 15 or 18 per cent a year.

In comparison, the same banks pay you only 4 to 5 per cent on your savings deposited with them.

The other catch is that not only you, but also the store pays a fee to the bank or finance company sponsoring the credit card.

One observant reader, Mr. C. P., who lives in California and has watched the spread of credit cards there, warns that the stores pay 2 per cent to the bank sponsoring the credit cards.

"Then the stores raise their prices on all products by the 2 per cent, and most of our people pay this extra charge, whether they pay by check or cash or use the credit card," Mr. C. P. points out.

Mr. C. P., for one, is not taking this situation lying down. He reports that when he buys in stores offering credit card charge accounts, he demands a

2 per cent discount for paying by cash or check.

Most of the stores will give it, he finds.

"But you must demand it."

At one time, many stores customarily gave a discount for cash. Trade experts report that the practice of giving 10 per cent off for cash on furniture has become well-established in larger Southwestern cities.

THERE IS ANOTHER danger in the spreading use of credit cards among moderate income families.

That is the risk of overextending yourself, and also, neglecting to comparison shop because of the ease of charging through a credit card.

One of the large oil companies, Texaco, is sending credit cards to families in the mail without any request on their part. These even go to families which don't own cars.

The oil company is not merely offering credit privileges at its service stations, but for other goods, such as home workshops, typewriters, etc.

YOU CAN NOW CHARGE your medical bills on credit plan, sponsored by the American Health Credit Plan, Inc.

You get a checkbook of certificates. You fill these out and give them to the doctor, pharmacist, etc., instead of paying cash.

If you do need credit for a medical service, it would be less costly for all concerned to make your own arrangements with the doctor, dentist or druggist, and avoid using such a plan even if the doctor suggests it.

Elmer Roessner, one of the more candid business columnists, is especially concerned about experiments some food supermarkets are making with either a 1 1/2 per cent a month service charge or a fee of \$1 a month.

"The danger is quite real," Roessner warned. "Families are going through bankruptcy now at a rate of more than 100,000 a year. If the food bill is added on top of the credit pyramid, the number of bankruptcies may increase.

Credit should be reserved for larger purchases, and only if the purchase cannot be postponed while you save up all or part of the cost.

If you do need credit, the cheapest way to get it still is to borrow the cash from a low-cost source such as credit union or commercial bank, and shop with the cash in hand.

Steel Machinists 1304

BY DAVE ARCA

Hi. For a happy Labor Day, come to the Fairgrounds in Pleasanton this Monday. Our unions are hosting a Labor Day Picnic. Naturally, fun, frolic and prizes will be deluxe. If you can't attend, buy a ticket anyway. You don't have to be there to win. Local 1304 will have free beer and soda for our members and their families. We'll be in the same area as last year.

With live entertainment, free beer and VIP speakers, you can't lose. See you there. Okay?

Speaking of speakers, effective oratory needs a receptive audience. When those Nazi storm troopers expounded on white supremacy to Cal students at the Berkeley campus, the rabble-rousers were ridiculed and rejected.

In Chicago and Cleveland, the Nazis are successfully inciting white people into a raging mob. Hitler could do this, too, even to imposing genocide upon the Jews.

Surely. Nazis urging white people to stone Negroes isn't much different from Nazis urging white people to stone Jews.

The time and places are different. But the hate is the same. Steelworkers are committed to equality for all. Everywhere. Okay? Okay.

House OK car safety measure

The House of Representatives has unanimously passed a car safety bill.

A different bill was voted by the Senate, also unanimously, in June. A conference committee will iron out the differences.

The House bill requires the U.S. Commerce Department to issue federal auto safety standards by next Jan. 31, to go into effect with 1968 models.

These standards are expected to include most of the 26 safety features which will be required by the federal government on cars it buys starting with '68 models.

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Chips and Chatter

BY GUNNAR (BENNY) BENONYS

Sad news this day. Our war-den, Brother P. T. (Toby) Brightwell was buried Monday. Services were held at Grant Miller Mortuary at 10 a.m. Brothers Al Thoman, Ed Jonson, E. M. Crow, C. E. Risley, Oscar Anderson and Benonys acted as pallbearers. Other brothers in attendance included John Walsh, past president; Abe Minken, Walter Dice, John Clapp and Tommy Thompson.

Al Thoman reports that the out-of-work list took a downward trend to 304 this Monday after rollecall. The \$4.76 billion housing bill will take 60 days or more to have any effect.

See you at the next meeting.

Local 371 'Info'

BY NAT DICKERSON

We would like to thank Bruce Brown and Carl Oliver, committeemen, for helping us in preparing material for this column.

From certain sources, we are informed that state colleges are paying custodians, or janitors, higher wages than are paid by the University of California at the Berkeley campus. This will have to be verified, along with an examination of comparable fringe benefits.

In the event that this data proves correct and pertinent, it will be used by Local 371 to expand the present wage formula used for our annual wage survey.

The present survey, from its inception in 1962, has been conducted by the university. We are now planning to take part in preparing the computations to arrive at equitable salary adjustments. By this means we can eliminate possible oversights, or mistakes, in establishing wages for university custodians based upon such a survey.

The mechanics of the math used to reach salary adjustments in the past have been a total mystery to most, if not all, of the university custodians. This hastened to cause a great deal of suspicion among custodians, as to the fairness of such formulas and how they are prepared. In any case, new methods of procedures are planned for the coming year.

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Be sure by looking for the Union Store Card when you go in, and for the Union Label on what you buy.

UNION LABEL WEEK starts Monday, Labor Day.

But the labor movement was made strong in its tough, early days by people who supported organized labor every week of the year by being Union Label-conscious in spending their union-won dollars.

These people made it a point of principle never to patronize a non-union establishment or buy non-union merchandise. They felt this was tantamount to subsidizing non-union wages and conditions.

IN UNIONS TODAY, many people don't understand the importance of the old-time union principles.

Union Label Week would be a good time for every local in Alameda County to appoint a Union Label Committee, whose job it would be to spread old-time message.

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Warehousemen end Lucky strike; win 60 cent package

Members of Warehousemen 853 on strike against Lucky Stores, Inc., are back at their jobs after winning 60 cents an hour in wage and fringe benefits.

Strikers ratified a new agreement by a vote of 74 to 26. They will receive 15 cent hourly increases retroactive to Aug. 1, 1966, and on Aug. 1, 1967, and Aug. 1, 1968, as well as fringe benefit increases totalling 15 cents an hour over the life of the three year contract.

A similar pact was approved by members of Teamsters 70 who work for grocery chains, and the settlement also benefits Local 853 members at Louis and P&X, who returned earlier under interim agreements.

The Local 853 pact, in addition, appeared to have paved the way for settlement of the contract dispute between Contra Costa County Teamsters 315 and the big Safeway Stores distribution center in Richmond.

AFLCIO issues charter to merged farm labor union

The newly-merged United Farm Workers Organizing Committee has been granted a charter by the AFLCIO.

The committee includes the former AFLCIO Agricultural Workers Organizing Committee and the then-unaffiliated National Farm Workers Association.

Both groups are currently involved in an all-out campaign in Delano. The new UFWOC will continue the drive in California and elsewhere.

In issuing the charter, the AFLCIO Executive Council said it will not be content until farm workers "have the same legislative safeguards and the same access to collective bargaining available to other workers."

The Executive Council called for inclusion of at least some farm workers under pending amendments to the Wage and Hour Law, as well as under the National Labor Relations Act, unemployment insurance and workmen's compensation programs.

The statement was issued after a report to the Executive Council by Cesar Chavez NFWA president; Larry Itliong, AWOC leader, and William L. Kircher, AFLCIO director of organization, who has been assisting both groups.

Central Labor Council hits Zephyr abandonment

Central Labor Council delegates have voted unanimously to oppose a move to discontinue Western Pacific's California Zephyr.

Orval Hatfield of Railway Clerks 1304, who made the motion, said the railroad has petitioned the Interstate Commerce Commission to abandon the passenger service Sept. 17.

Tieburg asks U. S. to OK more Mexican nationals

Albert B. Tieburg, state director of employment, has asked U.S. Labor Secretary Willard Wirtz to approve importation of 1,000 more Mexican nationals to work in the Salinas Valley strawberry harvest.

Wirtz has already approved about 6,000 Mexican nationals for the California tomato harvest.

Norm Amundson honored at reception by council

Norman E. Amundson, who resigned recently as assistant secretary of the Central Labor Council to accept a position with the Center for Labor Research and Education at the University of California, was honored at a reception following Monday night's Labor Council meeting.

During the meeting Executive Secretary-Treasurer Robert S. Ash paid tribute to Amundson's work for the council. Acting President Tom Anderson presented Amundson with an attache case on behalf of the council.

Tell 'em you saw it in the East Bay Labor Journal!

Local 3 ballot counting halted by Stockton judge

An order by San Joaquin County Superior Judge Bill Dozier has halted balloting counting in the election of Operating Engineers 3.

B. R. Burroughs of Stockton, a candidate for trustee in the four-state heavy construction local, charged irregularities in nominating meetings. Ballots were mailed out on Aug. 11 to members in Northern California, Northern Nevada, Utah, Hawaii and the Pacific islands.

NO CENTRAL Labor Council meeting will be held Monday, Labor Day. Also cancelled was today's Executive Committee meeting.

Poor Western Union service criticized in letter to FCC

Western Union is giving such poor service that the public is boycotting it, and the jobs of union members are endangered.

So says G. W. Hageman, regional president of Commercial Telegraphers Union, AFLCIO, in a letter to the chairman of the Federal Communications Commission.

Hageman tells about an emergency telegram — concerning permission to perform life-or-death surgery upon a child — which took four hours to get from Palo Alto to Santa Rosa.

This and many other examples of poor Western Union service are detailed in the letter, the first part of which is reprinted in the Commercial Telegraphers 208 column in this issue.

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PSA 802 (Electra) (Ex. F., Su.)	8:00 a.	9:00 a.	
PSA 812 (Electra) (F. only)	8:00 a.	9:00 a.	9:35 a.
PSA 820 (B-727) (Su. only)	8:15 a.	9:00 a.	
Western 95 (Electra)	9:10 a.	10:19 a.	
PSA 932 (Electra) (Ex. Su.)	9:30 a.	10:30 a.	
PSA 142 (Electra) (Su. only)	10:00 a.	11:00 a.	
PSA 220 (B-727)	10:45 a.	11:30 a.	12:05 p.
United 543 (B-727) (Ex. Sa.)	11:00 a.	11:55 a.	
Western 125 (Electra)	12:40 p.	1:49 p.	
PSA 152 (Electra)	1:00 p.	2:00 p.	
United 545 (B-727)	2:10 p.	3:05 p.	4:00 p.
PSA 312 (Electra)	3:00 p.	4:00 p.	4:35 p.
PSA 422 (Electra) (Ex. F., Su.)	4:25 p.	5:25 p.	
PSA 432 (Electra) (F., Su. only)	4:30 p.	5:30 p.	
PSA 542 (Electra)	5:30 p.	6:30 p.	7:05 p.
PSA 620 (B-727) (Ex. F., Su.)	6:15 p.	7:10 p.	
United 547 (B-727)	6:30 p.	7:15 p.	
PSA 690 (B-727) (F., Su. only)	7:10 p.	8:10 p.	
PSA 790 (B-727) (F., Su., only)	7:50 p.	8:35 p.	
Western 205 (Electra)	8:10 p.	9:19 p.	
United 385 (DC-8)	9:30 p.	10:32 p.	
PSA 962 (Electra) (Su. only)	9:50 p.	10:50 p.	
PSA 890 (B-727) (F. only)	10:00 p.	10:45 p.	11:20 p.
PSA 120 (B-727) (Su. only)	10:10 p.	10:55 p.	11:30 p.

NORTHBOUND

	Leave San Diego	Leave Los Angeles	Arrive Oakland
United 144 (B-720)		7:00 a.	7:59 a.
Western 74 (Electra)		7:30 a.	8:38 a.
PSA 705 (Electra) (Ex. Su.)		7:35 a.	8:35 a.
PSA 805 (Electra) (Su. only)	7:00 a.	8:35 a.	9:35 a.
United 540 (B-727) (Ex. Sa., Su.)	8:00 a.	9:05 a.	10:00 a.
PSA 851 (B-727) (Ex. Su.)	8:45 a.	9:20 a.	10:05 a.
PSA 951 (B-727) (Su. only)		9:35 a.	10:25 a.
Western 114 (Electra)		11:10 a.	12:18 p.
PSA 105 (Electra) (Ex. Su.)		11:15 a.	12:15 p.
PSA 145 (Electra) (Su. only)		11:20 a.	12:20 p.
United 542 (B-727)		12:30 p.	1:25 p.
PSA 155 (Electra) (Su. only)	12:25 p.	1:00 p.	2:00 p.
PSA 115 (Electra) (Ex. Su.)		1:00 p.	2:00 p.
PSA 225 (Electra) (Su. only)	2:25 p.	3:00 p.	4:00 p.
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PSA 405 (Electra)		4:00 p.	5:00 p.
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PSA 551 (B-727)		5:10 p.	5:55 p.
PSA 535 (Electra)		5:45 p.	6:45 p.
Western 184 (Electra)	5:10 p.	6:30 p.	7:38 p.
PSA 691 (B-727) (F., Su. only)		6:30 p.	7:30 p.
PSA 751 (B-727) (Ex. F., Su.)		7:25 p.	8:25 p.
PSA 835 (Electra) (Ex. Sa.)		8:30 p.	9:30 p.
United 548 (B-727)		8:40 p.	9:35 p.
PSA 891 (B-727) (F., Su. only)		8:50 p.	9:35 p.
PSA 991 (B-727) (F., Su. only)		9:50 p.	10:35 p.
PSA 195 (Electra) (Su. only)		11:15 p.	12:15 a.



Clip and save—Here's the complete new flight schedule for Oakland—Los Angeles—San Diego flights. For a complete "Flight Selector," listing all Oakland air service, write Port of Oakland, 66 Jack London Square, Oakland, California 94607.

PSA has added Boeing 727 fan jets—and more service—between Oakland, Los Angeles, and San Diego. PSA, United and Western Airlines now offer 18 roundtrips a day with 727 jets or Electra prop-jets, giving you a wider choice of time and price. PSA and United provide 8 daily jet roundtrips; PSA and Western offer 10 Electra roundtrips. Five of these flights continue on to San Diego, and there are increased schedules on weekends. Oakland-Los Angeles 727 jet fare is just \$13.50—Electra fare only \$11.43. Whichever airline or fare you choose, you'll save time and money when you fly from convenient Oakland International, where parking is just \$1 per day, or \$5 per week. Reservations and information on any Oakland flight are as close as your telephone—just call the Fly Oakland Girl, 562-4165. (From toll areas, ask Operator for Enterprise 1-2422.)



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Strike vote taken by union against Richmond schools

At a special meeting, members of Public Employees 1675 voted overwhelmingly to go on strike against the Richmond Unified School District the day schools open, Sept. 12.

Local 1675 Business Manager Henry L. Clarke was instructed to inform each member of the district's Board of Education and outline the union's strike demands.

Clarke said these include:

- That the board conduct a representation election among all classified employees of the district by secret ballot.

- That the board adopt a policy establishing district-wide seniority as the only criterion, after meeting certain minimum qualifications, upon which classified employees can be transferred or promoted.

- That neither the superintendent of schools nor the board conduct unilateral salary surveys without negotiating with Local 1675.

- That the board grant an additional 5 per cent increase to all operation and maintenance employees and an inequity adjustment of 5 per cent to all gardeners, bus drivers and head custodians, grades I and II.

- That elementary school secretaries receive a 5 per cent increase to bring them to the pay levels of high school secretaries.

- That all classified employees receive four week vacations after 10 years' service.

DOLORES HUERTA will discuss "The DiGiorgio Election—What Now?" at 8 p.m. Wednesday at Whittier School, Berkeley.



Lt. Gov. Anderson demands U.S. action on tight money

Lieutenant Governor Glenn M. Anderson called upon Washington monetary authorities to take prompt and immediate steps to end the tight money situation "under which no economy can long flourish."

Blaming tight money for the housing industry slowdown in California, which he termed "a major soft spot in our thriving economy," Anderson predicted that unemployment in the building trades would rise sharply unless prompt national action is taken.

"And such unemployment will be felt most heavily by those who can least afford it—minority groups and the economically disadvantaged," he noted in a speech before the City Commons Club of Berkeley.

The lieutenant governor stated:

"Lending by California savings and loan associations—who account for half of all real estate financing was down 36 per cent (or more than \$1 billion) in the first six months of

this year over the 1965 total for the same period. And the problem is likely to get worse before it gets better. June residential building permits issued—one of the best indications of things to come—were two-thirds below the level of June, 1965, in Los Angeles County alone, and the portents are as clear elsewhere in the state."

Anderson pointed out that tight money "ultimately hurts all Americans, and particularly those of us in California. Here, dollars from less dynamic areas of the country, have traditionally poured in to fuel our rapid growth," he said.

"The current congressional proposal to pump money directly into the housing market is a useful and welcome 'home remedy,' but it is not a cure," Anderson said, adding that "Washington must also attack the cause."

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The regular meetings of Lodge 1546 are held on the first and third Tuesdays of each month at the hour of 8 p.m. at our building at 10260 MacArthur Blvd., Oakland.

There will be a special order of business at the regular meeting on Sept. 20, 1966, for action to consider the amount of \$5,000 for the support of Lodge 540, Eureka, in case their strike is still on.

There will be a special order of business at the regular meeting on Sept. 20, 1966, for action on the withdrawal of \$20,000 from the savings fund and to be transferred into the general fund.

Fraternally,
DON CROSMAN
Rec. Sec.

STEEL MACHINISTS 1304

Regular meeting Thursday, Sept. 1, at 8 p.m. Executive Board meets 6:30 p.m. The second meeting in October has been set aside to honor our old-timers. Please spread the word.

Fraternally,
DAVE ARCA,
Sec.

E. B. MUNI EMPLOYEES 390

CITY OF BERKELEY
Tuesday, Sept. 6, 4:30 p.m., Corporation Yard.

EXECUTIVE BOARD
Thursday, Sept. 8, 7:30 p.m., Labor Temple, Room 220.

PORT OF OAKLAND (P)
Tuesday, Sept. 14, 7:30 p.m. Labor Temple, Room 220.

CITY OF RICHMOND (D, DP)
Wednesday, Sept. 14, 7:30 p.m., Corporation Yard.

HAYWARD SCHOOLS (H)
Special Notice: Wednesday, Sept. 14, 8 p.m. Martin School, 1000 Paseo Grande, San Lorenzo.

CITY OF EL CERRITO (C)
Monday, Sept. 19, 4:30 p.m., Corporation Yard.

CITY OF OAKLAND (F)
Wednesday, Sept. 21, 4:45 p.m., Corporation Yard.

HIGHLAND HOSPITAL (GH)
Wednesday, Sept. 28, 8 p.m., Labor Temple, Room 220

FAIRMONT HOSPITAL (F)
Thursday, Sept. 29, 7 p.m., Day Room.

Fraternally,
DAVE JEFFERY,
Exec. Sec.

UNITED STEELWORKERS 1798

Executive Board meeting Thursday, Sept. 8, 1966, 8 p.m., Local Union Office, 3315 E. 14th St., Oakland, Calif. Board of trustees, 7 p.m. at Local Union Office.

Regular membership meeting Friday, Sept. 23, 1966, Eagles Hall, 1228 36th Ave., Oakland, Calif.

Fraternally,
EDWARD M. SOTO,
Rec. Sec.

RUBBER WORKERS 64

The regular business meeting of Local 64, URW, will be held at 2 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 11, 1966, at the Auto Workers' Hall, 1406 Seminary Ave., Oakland. A report of negotiations at both Bingham Roller and Union Rubber Co. will be given at this meeting.

Be sure to register to vote. A registrar of voters will be present at the meeting. September is our COPE drive month. Be sure to donate a "buck to COPE." You may get a COPE ticket from any shop steward or officer.

Fraternally,
JOHN WITZLER,
Sec.

U. C. EMPLOYEES 371

The Officers and Executive Board will meet Saturday, Sept. 10, 1966, at 921 Kains Ave., Albany (YMCA) at 12 noon.

The next regular meeting of the membership will be Oct. 8, 1966, at the same address at 2 p.m. Please keep this date open and be present. You are the union and your officers always appreciate your support.

Fraternally,
W. G. WHITCOMBE,
Secty.-Treas.

BUILDING SERVICE 18

Meeting dates fourth Friday of each month Regular meetings at 3 p.m. and at 7 p.m., both at the Cooks Hall, 1608 Webster St., Oakland, Calif.

Fraternally,
VIC BRANDT,
Sec-Bus. Rep.

STEAMFITTERS 342

The Steamfitters 342 Golf Tournament will be held in Reno, Nev., Saturday, Sept. 3. Contact the Union Office for further information.

Fraternally,
JAMES MARTIN,
Bus. Mgr.

BARBERS 134

Our next regular meeting will be at 8 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 22, in the Labor Temple, Oakland.

The International referendum vote in our local was as follows: no, 32; yes, 8; void, 1.

At our next meeting, we shall vote on a change in hours and days that shops in certain locations shall be open, to wit:

1. Shops in the downtown area bordered by Lakeshore drive on the east, 25th and Broadway on the north, Seventh street and Broadway on the south and Market street on the west be allowed to open Mondays but closed on Saturdays. Hours shall be 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday through Friday.

2. All other shops shall be open from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday. These shops may be open from 12 noon to 8 p.m. on Thursday only.

3. Special shops such as Oakland International Airport shall be granted permission to operate as stated in Section No. 1.

We still have 14 by 17 1/2 inch Union Shop cards to be leased at \$3.

Fraternally,
AL MATTOCH,
Sec.-Treas.

CO. SCHOOLS EMPLOYEES 257

The regular fall meeting of Local 257, School Employees, will be held in Porter Hall, upstairs, 1918 Grove St., Oakland, Calif., on Saturday, Sept. 17, 1966, at 2 p.m.

Members please note that this will be the third Saturday instead of the second Saturday on account of the Labor Day and Admission Day holidays.

The Executive Board will meet at 9:30 a.m.

Members, please take note.

Fraternally,
HAROLD BENNER,
Sec.

AUTO AND SHIP PAINTERS 1176

The next regular meeting will be held at 8 p.m. Sept. 6 in Hall H of the Labor Temple, 2315 Valdez St., Oakland.

Fraternally,
LESLIE K. MOORE,
Bus. Rep.

UNITED STEELWORKERS 4468

Regular meeting held second Saturday of each month at 10 a.m. at Eagles Hall, 1228 36th Ave. Oakland.

Fraternally,
FRANK V. McINTOSH
Rec. Secty.

GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEES 3

General membership meeting Hall C, Labor Temple, 2315 Valdez St., Oakland, the fourth Friday of the month, 8 p.m.

Fraternally,
JOAN WILSON,
Bus. Rep.

PAINTERS 40

During the months of July, August and September, the regular meetings are held once each month on the second Friday of the month

Fraternally,
GENE SLATER,
Bus. Rep.

HAYWARD PAINTERS 1178

Regular meetings are held the first and third Fridays of each month at 8 p.m. in the Southern Alameda County Labor Temple 1050 Mattox Rd, Hayward.

PLEASE TAKE NOTE
Our meeting on Sept. 2 has been postponed because of the Labor Day weekend. The office will be closed on Saturday, Sept. 3.

The next meeting of the local will be a special called meeting on Friday, Sept. 16, to take up the subject of impeaching our business representative and to decide if we will continue to take the East Bay Labor Journal. Remember this date as it is important. Everybody should come and take part in these issues.

Fraternally,
R. H. FITZGERALD,
Rec. Sec.

PRINTING SPECIALTIES 678

Meeting second Thursday of each month at 8 p.m., Carpenters Hall, 1050 Mattox Rd., Hayward.

Fraternally,
AL CHASMAR,
Secty.

BERKELEY CARPENTERS 1158

Regular meetings are held the first and third Thursday of each month at Finnish Brotherhood Hall, 1970 Chestnut St., Berkeley.

Fraternally,
NICK J. AFDAMO,
Rec. Sec.

CARPENTERS 36

Unless otherwise specified regular meetings will be held on the first and third Thursdays at 8 p.m. at 761-12th Street, Oakland, Cal.

The Educational Committee will meet on the fourth Wednesday at 7:30 p.m. at the above address.

Stewards will meet on the fourth Thursday at 7:30 p.m. August 25, 1966.

Your Secretary is making every effort to register all Carpenters and their families for the General Election of November 8th, 1966. Those who are not registered will receive a notice of this fact.

If you have moved or failed to vote in the last General Election you must re-register in order to be eligible. You can register at the Alameda County Court House or an Fire Station in your area.

Your Secretary will also be on hand at Monday Morning roll calls and at the White Front Store on Hegenberger Road in East Oakland, and also at the Department of Employment during the week-days, on 3rd Ave. and East 14th Street in Oakland, Cal.

The final date for Registration is September 15, 1966.

Fraternally,
OSCAR ANDERSON
Rec. Secty.

PAINT MAKERS 1101

The \$1 will be due Sept. 1, 1966, for the Painter and Decorator, in accordance with Section 17 (a) of the Constitution of the Brotherhood.

Fraternally,
WILLIAM BOARDMAN,
Rec. Sec.

SHIPWRIGHTS 1149

By action taken at the special called meeting of June 17, regular meetings of Local 1149 will be held the first Monday of each month at 2085 Third St., San Francisco, and the third Monday of each month at 115 Broadway, Oakland.

Fraternally,
JAMES ALLAN,
Bus. Rep.

ALAMEDA CARPENTERS 194

Carpenters Local No. 194 meets each first and third Monday evening of the month at 8 p.m. The meeting place is the Veterans Memorial Building, 2201 Central Ave. Alameda.

Refreshments are served following the first meeting of the month in the canteen for all present. You are urged to attend your local's meeting.

Fraternally,
J. W. NIXON,
Rec. Sec.

HAYWARD CARPENTERS 1622

The Office of the Financial Secretary is open from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Mondays, Tuesdays and Wednesdays; from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Thursdays, and from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Fridays.

Our regular meetings are held every Friday at 8 p.m.

Our regular stewards' meeting will be held the second Tuesday of each month at 7:30 p.m.

A Steward's Training Program is held the third Thursday of each month at 7:30 p.m. The membership is invited to attend these meetings.

Our social event is held the last Friday of each month following our regular meeting.

The stewards' training program meetings have been cancelled for the months of August and September due to summer vacations, the next Stewards Training Program meeting will be held Thursday October 20, 1966.

By motion, the meetings of Friday, Sept. 2 and 9, have been cancelled because of the Labor Day and Admission Day weekends.

The offices of the local union will be closed Friday, Sept. 9, 1966, Admission Day,

Fraternally Yours,
Rec. Sec.
A. W. RICE

CARPENTERS 642

Regular meetings are held at 8 p.m. on the first and third Fridays of each month at Carpenters Hall 242 11th St., Richmond.

Fraternally,
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PRINTING SPECIALTIES 677

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Fraternally,
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Ironworkers Local 378

BY GEORGE A. TAYLOR

At the present time, the membership of Local 3378 has had many misunderstandings about our trust fund, which includes health and welfare (Blue Cross) and the pension plan, and will provide a dental plan in the very near future.

The Ironworkers could have had a dental plan before this time, but it's doubtful whether the plan would have met the needs of the membership.

The reasons for this are:

1. A good plan that will meet our needs is very expensive, and it was doubtful whether under the former setup we could have afforded such a plan.

2. There would have been a terrific rush at the offset for everyone to have dental work done, and this would have created a shortage in all the welfare funds.

Local 378 has tentatively set a special meeting for Oct. 12, with all members participating, along with their wives. Cards will be sent out to each member. On this card will be the return address of the Union Hall, 1734 Campbell St., Oakland, Calif. and a place to check whether the member and his wife will attend or not.

Upon receipt of these cards, the union will know how large a hall it will take to accommodate all those who wish to attend. Please be sure to return these cards as soon as possible.

The representative of the W. A. Cornell Co., administrators of the trust fund, will not attend any meeting unless the wives of the union members are present. They feel this will lead to a more orderly and satisfactory meeting.

According to the W. A. Cornell Co., if the women are invited to attend, the proper questions are asked, and everyone conducts himself in a proper manner. This makes the meeting successful, and many problems are solved.

In the next issue, the matter of safety laws and regulations and how they will affect the Ironworker in the future will be taken up. There have been a number of laws on the statute books, state and federal, that have not been enforced till now.

We will also explain to the membership the picket line over a year ago at the Tidewater Associated Oil Refinery at Avon, Calif. When all the facts are gathered about this incident, they will be printed in the next issue of the Labor Journal if time permits.

At the present time, there has been unemployment, but in the near future we expect work to pick up. The Bay Area Rapid Transit (BART) expects to have 750 Ironworkers working on this job over the next five years. This project is about a year behind at the present time. The Oakland Post Office has finally started, and the Grove-Shafter overpass should start some time this fall. We are hoping this will correct some of the unemployment and put our people to work for the fall and winter months.

CLC delegates protest hiring of strikebreakers

Alameda County Central Labor Council delegates signed petitions last week protesting hiring of strikebreakers at FMC Corp. in San Jose.

The council's Executive Assistant Secretary Richard K. Groulx reported that the corporation, a major defense contractor, has started hiring strikebreakers from the Los Angeles area to replace striking members of the Independent Tool and Die Makers Union.

Groulx said this was being done in defiance of an anti-strikebreaker ordinance passed by the San Jose City Council.

Steamfitters Local 342

BY JIM MARTIN

The Apprenticeship Committee wishes to announce the following: School for all apprentices will start Sept. 7, 1966, for Monday and Wednesday night students—Sept. 8, 1966, for Tuesday and Thursday night students.

In accordance with our union's collective bargaining agreement, Monday, Sept. 5, 1966, Labor Day, and Friday, Sept. 9, 1966, Admission Day, are holidays.

The work situation for our union's members continues to be good, however job opportunities for travel card members have terminated, and these brothers are returning to their home local unions. Currently we have approximately 400 travel cards on deposit.

By authorization of the membership, the following members of our union's board of Trustees: Lou Kovacevich, secretary

of the Joint Committee, C. D. Gibbon, and this writer as chairman of the Joint Board of Trustees will be attending annual National Health and Welfare Conference, which will be held in Montreal, Canada, Aug. 28 to Sept. 1, 1966. Upon their return, a report will be submitted by the delegates to our membership, this membership meeting to be designated by our union's president.

Our next membership meeting will be held Sept. 1, 1966, at which time the reports of our union's delegates who attend the California Labor Federation Convention in San Diego, Aug. 8-12 will be received; and the Sept. 15 membership meeting, the reports of delegates who attended the United Associations National Convention Aug. 8-12, 1966, will be received. Please plan to attend.

In behalf of Business Representatives Lou Kovacevich, William Weber Sr. and the office staff, may we wish you a pleasant and safe holiday.

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642's Straight Line

BY MARVIN MARTIN

Our heartfelt sympathy to the family of the late Thomas A. Phillips, who passed away on Aug. 20. He served as president of Local 642 for many years and was active in union affairs until his recent illness. He had been a constant member of this local since 1937. He was a member of the voluntary Mortuary Fund of Carpenters Local 642.

Mrs. Barthman telephoned the office to say that Clarence Barthman is again in Kaiser Hospital, Oakland. He would like telephone calls from his friends and can be reached at the hospital, Room F-7. A speedy recovery to Brother Barthman.

We were pleased to hear that Bill Davis came through all right from his last operation and is recuperating at home.

Cliff Hansen has undergone heart surgery in Kaiser Hospital Richmond, and his family would

appreciate a card of cheer from those who know him.

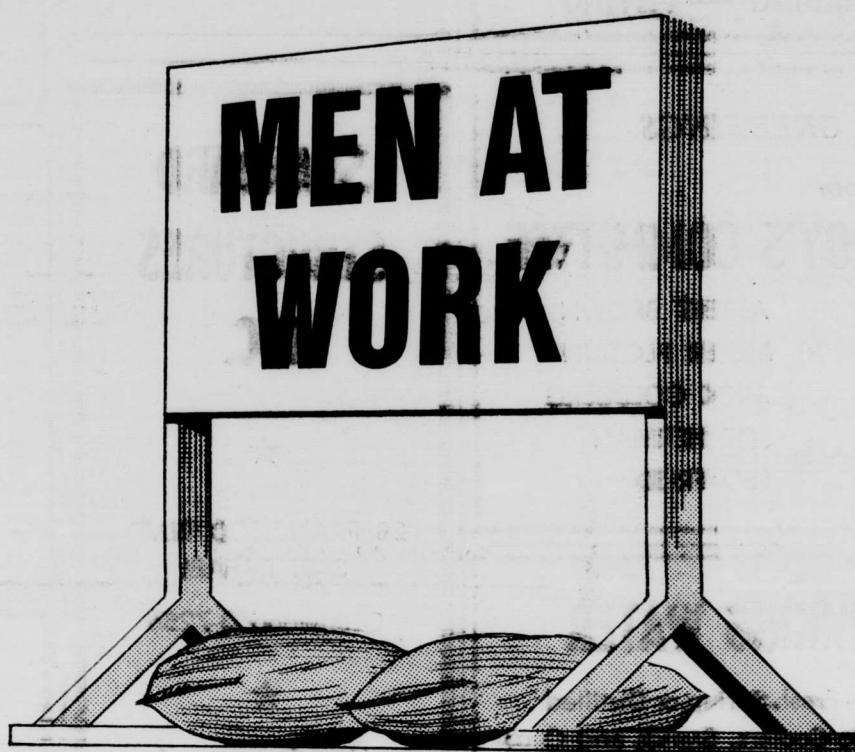
This is an important election year. If you have not registered to vote, please do so. If you have moved and wish to re-register, don't forget the deadline is Sept. 15. There is a deputy registrar in the Union Office during working hours to register you.

A hurry-up and get well to Arthur Durnal, who fell and broke his hip and is confined to his room at Kaiser Hospital, Richmond.

After being on the sick list for some time, the following members are ready for work again: Hugh Maddon, Vernon Thompson, Ed Moellman, Willie Scott, Earl Maglon and Dale Etchleson.

Safety program

U.S. Labor Department employees who drive on the job are receiving eight hour accident prevention courses as part of the department's Safety-70 program to reduce job injuries by 30 per cent by 1970.



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Following is the major portion of a letter to the chairman of the Federal Communications Commission by G. W. Hageman, regional president of our union. It contains details on the poor service Western Union gives the public. Because of space limitations, the rest of the letter will be published next week:

Mr. Rosel Hyde, Chairman
Federal Communications
Commission

Washington, D.C.

Dear Mr. Hyde:

This is to protest the poor service being rendered the public by the Western Union Telegraph Company.

The FCC attorney and staff handling the investigation of domestic telegraph service issued their report in October, 1965, and recommended that the Commission should set a deadline by which Western Union was to attain its speed-of-service standards regularly and further recommended that should Western Union fail to attain these objectives and maintain them, the Commission should set the speed-of-service standards as well as a system of financial penalties to encourage compliance with the standards.

Western Union is apparently confident that no effective action will ever be taken by the FCC, as it is still failing to maintain speed-of-service standards and its policy of more profits through less service is continuing to destroy the telegraph message volume received over the telephone and over the counter. The persistent decline in message volume, brought about by extensive delays to telegrams, is eliminating the jobs of many of our members. Western Union has spent approximately \$500 million for new equipment and machines in the past five years and is planning to spend hundreds of millions more in the next few years. The public is suffering with slow, unreliable telegraph service while Western Union continues to squeeze out more profits through less service.

In 1964 the FCC expressed 'grave concern' about the decline in public message telegraph speed of service and warned Western Union of the possibility of prescribed minimum domestic speed of service standards if the situation did not improve. Western Union was told by the FCC to institute and maintain procedures and practices to insure that the public receives the service for which it is paying. Western Union ignored the warning. Service has continued to fall far short of standards, despite the understanding that Western Union would maintain a good

speed of service after the Commission approved rate increases.

The very purpose of a telegram is lost when it is badly delayed. An example of this occurred recently when a customer wired permission to operate on a child. The telegram took over four hours to get from Palo Alto, California to Santa Rosa, less than a hundred miles away, where it was to be relayed to a hospital in a nearby small town. The doctor proceeded to operate without telegraphic permission in order to save the child's life.

A person could have driven the distance roundtrip in four hours, but in this computer age a telegram is often slower than the automobile. The poor service cited in this example is not a rare exception. There is still the need for a rapid record communications service, but the public is not getting it.

Recently it came to the attention of the Union at Seattle, Washington, that there were approximately twenty-five service messages five weeks old that had not been handled. These service messages pertained to live telegrams that had not yet been delivered! The service messages were deliberately set aside by the Company because it did not have an adequate force. The Union members at Seattle insist that service is very bad and if the reports sent the FCC do not reflect this then the reports are inaccurate.

FCC representatives recently made a check on telegraph service at Oakland, California and found extensive delays. The Company has been deliberately understaffing at Oakland for many months. Reports from our members at San Francisco and Portland indicate service is even worse in those cities than at Oakland. A telegraph load of 3,000 messages per day was transferred recently from the Oakland, California relay office to the Portland, Oregon relay office. Portland was giving substandard service prior to this transfer of additional load, but the labor force was not increased after the transfer and, therefore, the service to the public was made even more deplorable. Despite this bad service, the local management of Western Union insisted it was "over-staffed" and offered voluntary furloughs to employees and detailed one Portland employee to another office.

Skills Center union joins Central Labor Council

A new local union has joined the Central Labor Council — Skills Center Teachers 1688.

Two delegates from the union, which represents staff members of the East Bay Skills Center, have been seated, as well as a new delegate from another union.

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BY JACK M. REED

Brothers, the attendance at the special called and regular meeting last Thursday night was very disappointing. The referendum vote on the 25 cent per capita tax raise was defeated. If this attitude is prevalent in other locals, then the International Executive Board will recommend whatever raise is necessary to balance their budget.

The International dues for minimum dues paying members is and has been \$3.50; however, your local has been collecting only \$3 and subsidizing the 50 cents. The International Executive Board has recommended a minimum of \$4, which would mean a raise of \$1 for all minimum dues members per month; so now we will have to wait and see how this will be resolved.

The petition to change the working hours and days of our working agreement had its second reading. Some of the changes asked is to allow the downtown shops to open on Mondays instead of Saturdays. Another change asked for is to allow the shops to open on Thursdays at 12 noon and remain open till 8 p.m. This would be optional. Another change asked for is for all shops to remain open till 6 p.m. on Saturdays. All tentative changes will

be voted on separately and not as a package, and all of them can be amended. The third reading and vote will be held at the regular September meeting, and as this concerns your bread and butter and a change in your working conditions, I urge you to come down and vote.

The minimum price hearing will be held on Monday night, Sept. 26, in the Labor Temple. The meeting before the State Barber Board will probably be the last time you will be able to ask that the minimum price be raised 20 or 25 cents. From this time on, the raises will be in the area of cost of living percentages which will mean nickles and dimes. You must plan and attend this meeting. We need hundreds of voices. We need your presence. You will not be excused. The AFLCIO state convention resolved to work for and attain a \$2 per hour national minimum wage. New York State has just gone to \$1.50. We as barbers must not continue to be the low man on the totem pole, and push our minimum price to at least over \$2. This is your last chance! Don't complain if you do not make it your business to be present on Monday night, Sept. 26, in the Labor Temple.

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BY BERT TONZI

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Both moves were because of increased demand for services and to make them more accessible to poverty target area residents, according to V. (Hap) Smith, program director for the Oakland Department of Human Resources.

Tell 'em you saw it in the East Bay Labor Journal!

Watchmakers Local 101

BY GEORGE F. ALLEN

We have almost completed the pension application cards to be signed by those members covered under a collective bargaining agreement, and it will be necessary that each member sign his own pension application card.

The members working in San Mateo, San Francisco, Alameda, Contra Costa and Marin counties will be requested to attend the Sept. 15 meeting at the Labor Temple in San Francisco in order to sign their individual cards. The members working in Santa Clara County will be requested to attend a meeting on Oct. 4 at the Labor Temple in San Jose for the same purpose.

Letters will be sent to all members eligible to partake in the International Jewelry Workers Union Pension Program.

We have now completed the necessary pension program language to become a part of the current union agreement that must be signed by the union and by each employer. This new appendix to the agreement has already been signed by the Bay Counties Jewelers Guild, which represents all the large chain jewelry stores in all the counties under our jurisdiction.

SAN JOSE MEETING NOTICE

Meeting will be held on Tuesday, Sept. 6, at 7:30 p.m., Labor Temple, 45 Santa Teresa St., San Jose.

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This is the last call for the Labor Day Picnic. Those who have put off buying your tickets can still obtain them at the Union Office up until 3:30 Friday. This picnic will be fun for all, and we hope to see you there.

The day after Labor Day, we are going to picket the San Lorenzo School Board meeting. Over a three year period of time, the classified employees have received only a 5 per cent raise. This year, the Personnel Board recommended a 10 per cent raise as being the kind of raise necessary to bring these employees up near the level of other school districts in the area. In addition, they recommended that the district pay the full cost of the health plan.

This 10 per cent raise was to include the cafeteria workers. The proposed raise depended upon funds being made available from the State Legislature.

The employees swung into full scale lobbying action, and the bill was passed. From this bill to aid impoverished school districts, San Lorenzo District received \$500,000! After the district received this money, they reversed themselves and are now offering the employees only a 5 per cent raise, except for the cafeteria workers, who are only to receive a 2 per cent raise.

These classified employees have been sold out! We are going back with a picket line Sept. 6 to the San Lorenzo School Board meeting and demand equity. We call upon all of you to support our picket line. Be on the line at 6:30 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 6 at 15510 Usher St., San Lorenzo. From the Nimitz Freeway take the San Lorenzo turn-off, which is just beyond where Highway 50 freeway branches off of Nimitz. This will bring you onto Lewelling boulevard, where you cross the first intersection with a signal. The cross street here is Hesperian boulevard, and Usher is the next street on the left.

Why not pass this copy of the East Bay Labor Journal to a friend of yours when you are finished reading it!

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Governor to speak at picnic

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• Les Blondes, glamorous dancers and vocalists.
• Lou Jacklich, accordionist.
• Sharon Layne, dancing vocalist, and
• Lumac's Alsations, a dog act.
In addition to being on sale at the fairgrounds, Labor Day picnic tickets will be available through Friday from shop stewards and local union offices and can be purchased from the two COPE offices, in the Labor Temple at 2315 Valdez St., Oakland, and at 37851 Niles Blvd., Fremont.

At \$1 per family, COPE Secretary-Treasurer Ash called the Labor Day Picnic "the biggest entertainment value in Alameda County."

The picnic has a twofold purpose:

• To let Alameda County union families have a good time at a picnic commemorating labor's

N. Y. paper pact

New York Newspaper Guild members ratified an agreement with the newly-merged N. Y. World Journal Tribune following a nine week strike, but disputes involving the Pressmen and Mailers remained unresolved.

own holiday—reviving a custom prevalent across the nation in the early days of this century—and
• To raise funds to help elect COPE-endorsed candidates in this year's important November general election.
See you there!

Car makers subpoenaed

All four major auto makers have received subpoenas to testify at Federal Grand Jury hearings in Detroit on alleged industry efforts to restrain the development of exhaust smog control devices.

Governor wants to join Barbers

Governor Edmund G. (Pat) Brown asked Barbers Union members in Lakewood to let him become an honorary member.

"I know a fellow named Reagan who needs a first class trimming," the governor said. "And I think I have the experience to do it right."

Brown said two earlier customers have never had to get a haircut again.

Unionists invited to join picketing of school board

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\$350,000 of the extra money the district received under the new law, Assembly Bill 52.

Accusing the district of perpetrating an "outrage" and of "duplicitry," Local 390 is asking that all the district's employees receive the same across-the-board raise.

"We feel the present plan penalizes lower-paid employees," Koethke explained.

The picket line will start at 6:30 p.m. in front of the school board's meeting place, 15510 Usher St., San Lorenzo, off Hesperian boulevard between Lewelling boulevard and the Castro Valley freeway. Take the San Lorenzo turnoff from the Nimitz freeway.

TWUA goals

The AFLCIO Textile Workers (TWUA) set abolition of U. S.-Canadian wage differentials and bringing pay up to the standards of other manufacturing industries as major bargaining goals at its convention in Montreal.

Brown wires Labor Council on Wedemeyer resignation

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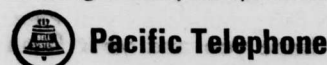
However, it was not my intention to precipitate Mr. Wedemeyer's resignation. The decision to resign was his, and under the circumstances I felt it only proper to accept it. I deeply regret his leaving at this time. However, I believe little purpose would be served by exploring hypothetical reasons for his decision. I want you to know that Mr. Wedemeyer's leaving should not be interpreted as a major change in California's welfare administration policy. Under his leadership, California's welfare programs have served as a model throughout the nation. I have asked Mr. Holecomb, the new director of the Department of Social Welfare, to continue to build on the gains already made. Edmund G. Brown, Governor."



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Notice of Sale On September 14, 1966 Of Property Deeded to the State for Delinquent Taxes

Whereas, I was on July 26, 1966, directed by Board of Supervisors of Alameda County, State of California, and there was received by me and filed in my office authorization of the State Controller dated Aug. 3, 1966, to sell at public auction certain tax deeded property, public notice is hereby given that unless said property is redeemed prior thereto, I will on September 14, 1966, at the hour of 10:00 o'clock a.m., in the Tax Collector's Office in the Administration Building of the County of Alameda, in the City of Oakland, sell the said property as directed, at public auction to the highest bidder for cash in lawful money of the United States or negotiable paper for not less than the minimum price or prices set forth in this notice.

The parcels of property that are the subject of this notice are situated in the County of Alameda, State of California, and are described as follows:

No. 1. DEED NO. 209519. In City of Oakland. Lot 33, in Block 495, as said Lot and Block are delineated and so designated on that certain Map entitled "MAP OF THE REDIVISION OF CITY BLOCKS 494, 495, 496," filed October 3, 1872, in Book 3, page 31 of Maps, in the office of the County Recorder of Alameda County, State of California. Last assessed to Ann Black. Minimum price \$802.

No. 2. DEED NO. 209964. In City of Oakland. The Northern 7 feet 6 inches of Lot 40 and the Southern 42 feet 6 inches of LOT 41 of "GRAND AVENUE TERRACE," filed October 28, 1908, in Book 24 page 38 of Maps in the office of the County Recorder of Alameda County. Last assessed to Calmarich Investment Company. Minimum price \$802.

No. 3. DEED NO. 210008. In City of Oakland. Beginning at the intersection of the Northern line of Lot 84 and the Western line of Trestle Glen Road, formerly Cavanagh Road, as shown on the Map of Lakeshore Manor, filed May 22, 1923 in Book 3 of Maps at page 56 in the Recorder's office of Alameda County; then Southerly along the Western line of said Trestle Glen Road on a curve to the left with a radius of 372.79 feet an arc distance of 50 feet; thence North 87° 19' 40" West 66.15 feet; thence North 16° 03' West 65.54 feet to the Northern line of said Lot 84; thence South 79° 38' 35" East along the Northern line of said Lot 84 to the point of beginning. Last assessed to Dorothy Taylor. Minimum Price \$302.

No. 4. DEED NO. 210225. In the City of Oakland. Being a portion of Lots 1 and 2, in Block 2, as said Lots and Block are shown on "MAP OF BONITA TRACT, OAKLAND, CALIFORNIA," filed December 3, 1913, in Book 28 of Maps, at page 46, in the office of the County Recorder of Alameda County, described as follows: Beginning at the intersection of the Southwestern line of Cavour Street, with the Southwestern line of Redondo Avenue, as said Street and Avenue are shown on said Map; and running thence along said line of Redondo Avenue South 32° 06' West 68.60 feet; thence North 57° 24' West 43.77 feet; thence along the last named line North 42° 18' East 69.68 feet to said line of Cavour Street; and thence along the last named line South 57° 54' East 31.43 feet to the point of beginning. Last assessed to David M. Mari, et al. Minimum price \$462.

No. 5. DEED NO. 210835. In City of Oakland. Lot 37 of the Marvel Tract, filed February 20, 1925 in Book 4 of Maps at page 61 in the office of the Recorder of Alameda County. Last assessed to J. W. O'Donnell. Minimum price \$102.

No. 6. DEED NO. 211125. In the City of Oakland. Beginning at the Southeastern corner of Lot 2, Block 3 of the Map of Chevrolet Park, filed April 12, 1916 in Book 14 page 28 of Maps in the office of the County Recorder of Alameda County, thence North 35° 11' 45" East 37.66 feet; thence South 54° 48' 15" East 1 foot; thence South 35° 11' 45" West 37.66 feet; thence North 54° 48' 15" West 1 foot to the point of beginning. Last assessed to E. M. Netterby. Minimum price \$27.

No. 7. DEED NO. 211511. In City of Oakland. In Book 23 of Maps at page 48, filed October 31, 1907 of record in the office of the Recorder of Alameda County. "MAP OF GRAND AVENUE PARK TRACT," Northwestern 10 feet of Lot 34, as now exists. Last assessed to Hutchison Realty Company. Minimum price \$592.

No. 9. DEED NO. 211850. In City of Oakland. Lot 2485 of Forest Land Manor, filed January 28, 1928 in Book 18 of Maps at pages

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54 and 55, in the office of the County Recorder of the County of Alameda. Last assessed to William Matthews. Minimum price \$117.

No. 10. DEED NO. 211976. In City of Oakland. Lot 343 of Montclair Highlands according to the Map thereof filed September 11, 1925 in the office of the County Recorder of said Alameda County and of Record in Map Book 4 at pages 88 and 89. Last assessed to Estate Olive M. Watt. Minimum price \$107.

No. 11. DEED NO. 212072. In City of Oakland. Lot 197 of Merriewood according to the Map thereof filed November 13, 1924 in the office of the County Recorder of Alameda County and of record in Map Book 4, pages 50 and 51. Last assessed to Crist Moniz. Minimum price \$127.

No. 12. DEED NO. 212200. In City of Oakland. University Uplands No. 2, as per Map filed April 18, 1921 of record in the office of the Recorder of Alameda County in Book 7 of Maps at page 80 and 81. Last assessed to Winifred L. Jackson. Minimum price \$107.

No. 13. DEED NO. 207262. In City of Oakland. Lot 376 of Montclair Highlands, according to the Map thereof, filed September 11, 1925 in the office of the County Recorder of Alameda County and of record in Map Book 4, pages 88 and 89. Last assessed to R. L. and Sue Bostick. Minimum price \$112.

No. 14. DEED NO. 207268. In City of Oakland. Lot numbered 1858, as said lot is delineated and so designated upon that certain Map entitled, "FORESTLAND HEIGHTS, OAKLAND, ALAMEDA COUNTY, CALIFORNIA," filed July 9, 1926, in Book 10 of Maps, pages 81 to 84, in the office of the County Recorder of the County of Alameda. Last assessed to W. G. and Ruth L. Ramsay. Minimum price \$132.

No. 15. DEED NO. 209881. In City of Oakland. Lot 27. Block 2038 as shown on the map of Rowland Tract, Oakland, filed February 16, 1876, in Book 5 of Maps at page 26 in the Recorder's Office of Alameda County. Last assessed to Stella Cruz. Minimum price \$1500.

No. 16. DEED NO. 212751. In City of Berkeley. A portion of Lot 578 of the Map of Berkeley View Terrace filed March 7, 1927, in Book 12 of Maps at pages 62, 63 and 64 in the office of the County Recorder of Alameda County. Beginning at the intersection of the Eastern line of Lot 578 of the said Map with the Northern line of Grizzly Peak Boulevard, thence along the Northern line of Grizzly Peak Boulevard Northwesterly 22 feet M/L to the Western line of said Lot 578 thence Northernly along the Western line of said Lot 578, 26.12 feet to an angle point, thence Easterly 20.56 feet to a point that is South 4° 44' East 51.54 feet from the NE line of Lot 578 of said Map, thence Southerly 4° 44' East 33.66 feet M/L to the point of beginning. Last assessed to Mary E. Lust. Minimum price \$42.

No. 17. DEED NO. 212911. In City of Alameda. Beginning at a point on the Southern line of Clement, formerly Atlantic Avenue, distant 70 feet Westerly from the point of intersection thereof with the Western line of Chestnut Street running thence Westerly along said line of Clement Avenue 38 feet; thence at right angles Southerly 100 feet; thence at right angles Easterly 38 feet; thence at right angles Northernly 100 feet to the point of beginning. Being portions of Lots 17 and 18 in Block 60 as said lots and block are shown on the "MAP OF THE PROPERTY IN VICINITY OF ENCINAL STATION, TOWN OF ALAMEDA, OWNED BY COLUMBUS BARTLETT, ESQ." filed April 17, 1875 in Book 17 of Maps, page 44, in the Recorder's office of Alameda County. Last assessed to D. J. and Beth M. Rodrigues. Minimum price \$5752.

No. 18. DEED NO. 214105. In City of Hayward. Lot 11, Block 4 in Tract 1878, filed June 5, 1958 in Book 38 pages 81 and 82, of Maps in the office of the County Recorder of Alameda County. Last assessed to Palma Ceia Sales Organization. Minimum price \$92.

No. 19. DEED NO. 214107. In City of Hayward. Lot 1, Block 7 in Tract 1878; filed June 5, 1958 in Book 38 pages 81 and 82, of Maps in the office of the County Recorder of Alameda County. Last assessed to Palma Ceia Sales Organization. Minimum price \$92.

No. 20. DEED NO. 213703. In City of Hayward. Portion of Block N, as said Block is shown on the "MAP OF ANNEX TO MEEK ORCHARD TRACT, ALAMEDA COUNTY, CALIFORNIA, EDEN TOWNSHIP," filed March 11, 1918 in Book 16 of maps, Page 59, in the office of the County Recorder of Alameda County, described as follows:

Beginning at the intersection of the center line of Eden Road with the center line of Manon Avenue, as said Road and Avenue are shown on said Map; running thence along said center line of Manon Avenue, North 42° 01' West 87.25 feet; thence parallel with said line of Eden Road North 57° 09' East 160 feet; thence South 39° 17' East 86.68 feet to a point on the center line of Eden Road which is distant thereon North 57° 09' East 155.81 feet from the point of beginning; and thence along said center line of Eden Road South 57° 09' West, 155.81 feet to the point of beginning.

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operating, maintaining, and repairing a sewer and all public utilities, in, under, over and along the Northeastern 5 feet, right angle measure ment thereof. Last assessed to T. and Robert Ridge. Minimum price \$3682.

No. 21. DEED NO. 213726. In Township of Eden. Commencing at the intersection of the Eastern line of Harvey Avenue, also known as Count Road No. 7926, and the Southern line of Lot 9 of the Map of the Harvey Tract, filed September 13, 1910 in Book 25 of Maps at page 8; in the Recorder's office of Alameda County; thence North 5° 30' West 10 feet; thence North 85° 05' East 310 feet to the actual point of beginning; thence North 5° 30' West 10 feet; thence North 85° 05' East 75.48 feet; thence South 74° 50' West 56.28 feet; thence South 85° 05' West 20.01 feet to the actual point of beginning. Last assessed to North American Title Minimum price \$82.

No. 22. DEED NO. 213816. In Township of Eden. That portion of Lot 3, "MAP OF LANGAN TRACT, CASTRO VALLEY, ALAMEDA COUNTY CALIF.," filed January 3, 1887, in Book 4 page 30 of Maps in the office of the County Recorder of Alameda County described as follows: Beginning at a point of the Northern line of parcel of land firstly, described in Deed to Miriam Nordor, a widow, recorded March 16, 1956 in Book 7969 of Official Records, page 151; distant thereon South 87° East 20.02 feet from the Northwestern corner of said land to the actual point of beginning; thence continuing along the last named line South 87° East 50.71 feet; thence Southwesterly along the arc of a curve concave to the Northwest, having a radius of 37 feet, from a tangent that bears North 26° 00' 18" East, an arc distance of 31.74 feet; thence Southwesterly on a reverse curve having a radius of 37 feet, an arc distance of 48.22 feet to a point of cusp with a line drawn parallel with and distant Easterly 20 feet measured at right angles from the Western line of said Nordor land (Book 7969 O.R. page 151) said point bearing South 0° 30' West from the point of beginning; thence along said parallel line so drawn, North 0° 30' East 57.60 feet to the point of beginning. Last assessed to William R. McKie. Minimum price \$102.

No. 23. DEED NO. 213864. In Township of Eden. Beginning at the Southwest corner of Lot 11 in Block E of Tract 1877, filed July 31, 1957 in Book 38 of Maps at page 32 in the Recorder's office for Alameda County, thence South 40° 12' 24" East 2 feet M/L; thence South 89° 43' 51" East 145.21 feet; thence North 0° 16' 09" East 2 feet; and thence North 89° 43' 51" West 145.21 feet M/L to the point of beginning. Last assessed to Sleepy Hollow Investment Company. Minimum price \$72.

No. 24. DEED NO. 213872. In Township of Eden. A portion of the Plat of the Rancho San Lorenzo finally confirmed to Guillermo Castro filed April 18, 1865 in Patent Book A at page 142. Beginning at the most Eastern corner of Lot 21, Block G of Tract 1877, filed July 31, 1957 in Book 38 of maps at pages 32 and 33 in the Recorder's office of Alameda County; thence North 18° 33' 23" West 432.16 feet; thence South 55° 14' 36" West 177.69 feet; thence South 42° 35' 36" East 418.91 feet to the point of beginning. Last assessed to Sleepy Hollow Investment Company. Minimum price \$482.

No. 25. DEED NO. 213508. In Township of Eden. Lot 5 in Block 9 of the Amended Hayward City Tract, filed November 6, 1907 in Book 23 of Maps at page 50 in the office of the Recorder of Alameda County. Last assessed to Vicent Alvor. Minimum price \$272.

No. 26. DEED NO. 214028. In Township of Pleasanton. Lot 38 in Block 10 of Kilkare Woods filed August 23, 1927 in Book 17 page 108 of Maps in the office of the County Recorder of Alameda County. Last assessed to Charles H. Skinner. Minimum price \$202.

No. 27. DEED NO. 214117. In City of Fremont. Lot 25, as it now exists, of the Hanser Tract filed January 6, 1926, in Book 7 of Map at page 38 in the Recorder's office of Alameda County. Last assessed to P. Erle and Lloyd Hygelund. Minimum price \$20.

No. 28. DEED NO. 214118. In City of Fremont. Lot 54, as it now exists, of the Hanser Tract filed January 6, 1926, in Book 7 of Map at page 38 in the Recorder's office of the County of Alameda. Last assessed to P. Erle and Lloyd Hygelund. Minimum price \$20.

No. 29. DEED NO. 214119. In City of Fremont. Lot 24, as it now exists, of the Hanser Tract filed January 6, 1926 in Book 7, page 38 in the Recorder's office of Alameda County. Last assessed to P. Erle and Lloyd Hygelund. Minimum price \$30.

No. 33. DEED NO. 214328. In City of Newark. Lot 23, Block D of the Mowry Addition to Newark, filed April 22, 1910 in Book 25 of Maps at page 51 in the Recorder's office of Alameda County. Last assessed to Milton Ludwig et al Minimum price \$107.



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Reagan refuses to talk about right-wing allies

Extremism may not be the only issue in the 1966 political campaign, as President Russell Crowell of the Alameda County Central Labor Council pointed out two weeks ago, but it should not be ignored by labor or the general public.

Ronald Reagan's numerous right-wing connections are there; they have been capably documented by Democratic leaders.

And Reagan's continued refusal to discuss them shows that this is an issue he fears.

There is no mileage for Reagan in talking about unpleasant truths he cannot hide.

By the same token, there is no mileage for California in having a governor ride into office with a bunch of John Birch Society financial backers on his coattails, clamoring for jobs and political power in his administration.

Reagan again flatly refused to discuss this important issue at least twice during his recent three day tour of the Bay Area.

Arriving in San Francisco, Reagan tore up a written challenge from Robert L. Coate of Castro Valley, Democratic vice-chairman for Northern California. Coate offered to donate \$10,000 to Reagan's campaign if the candidate could disprove his (Coate's) latest charges of extremism. Then, in a talk at the Claremont Hotel Friday night, Reagan said:

"I will no longer discuss any of Coate's charges or proposals in public or with the newsmedia."

What is it that Reagan refuses to discuss?

Coate's most damaging charges were made in a 29-page document. It contains nearly 100 specific ties between Reagan and Birch leaders and other extremists.

In it, Coate lists top leaders of the John Birch Society who are active in Reagan's campaign or who have given large sums to it. It also cites Reagan's statements in support of right-wing doctrines and his record of working closely with ultra-conservatives.

Coate sums up the report—the result of several months of research by Democratic staff members—by saying that Reagan's campaign is "riddled" with members of the John Birch Society and that Reagan "supports the programs, policies and projects of numerous extremist fronts."

Conceding that "genuine conservatives" also support Reagan, the expose says charitably that "they bring respectability to a political campaign whose true nature will dismay moderates and conservatives of both political parties."

This is the record Ronald Reagan refuses to discuss!

A fair request by EBMUD 444

Quite a few executives of the East Bay Municipal Utility District attend the district's board meetings on "company time."

To protect the interests of employees, the union at EBMUD recently asked for the right of having one or more of its representatives attend, too.

According to Manuel Pontes, president of EBMUD Employees 444, the matter was referred to the chairman of the board's Personnel Committee, Director T. Earle Hipp.

Pontes said Hipp—a former paid official of EBMUD—made no attempt to contact the union for its views, or to learn why the request was made.

In view of EBMUD's long record of trying to avoid recognizing Local 444, or dealing with it in good faith, this appears to be another case of anti-union discrimination by our publicly-owned water district.

Other public districts allow the unions representing substantial numbers of their employees this right.

Why not EBMUD?

Don't miss Labor Day Picnic

Don't forget the Alameda County AFLCIO Labor Day Picnic. Fun for the whole family — for the low price of one dollar per family — is promised at the all-day event Monday at the County Fairgrounds in Pleasanton. And you'll be doing your bit to help Alameda County AFLCIO-COPE elect good candidates in November. This is a double-barreled bargain. Don't miss it in this important election year!

If you haven't purchased your family's \$1 ticket, you can still buy one at the gate of the fairgrounds as you enter. The picnic will start at 9 a.m. We hope you and your family will be there.

Roadhog



PITTS LISTS CHALLENGES IN LABOR DAY MESSAGE

By THOMAS L. PITTS,
Secretary-Treasurer,
California Labor Federation

Since 1894, we in America have set aside the first Monday in September as the time to reflect upon the most universal of man's activities—labor. It might as well be a Tuesday in February or a Thursday in May, for work defines and makes possible all other things.

Labor Day is a very special day because, while our hands are idle, our memories are kindled with the pride of past achievements, our spirits challenged by the poverty and ignorance yet to be overcome, and our imaginations strained to find the way to make the days of our labor creative and ripe with meaning.

"Labor" is special because it is universal. All of us expend our time pursuing the "bread of life." But we also pursue more. Labor Day is dedicated to those men and women of the United States whose past efforts to minimize the harshness of labor, while maximizing its fruit, have made possible an abundant land and promise an even more abundant future.

A future in goods and rewarding in quality is attainable, if we have the courage and tenacity to stand together in spirit with those who in earlier days stood very much alone.

Our work is far from finished. The poverty-stricken still inhabit the land—the aged and infirm, racial and religious minorities, those in rural and urban ghettos, and those in the lines which form behind the windows reading "unemployed."

As Union members, we are "the people lobby" and have much to do. The spirit of Labor Day gives us the power and duty to achieve our many unfinished goals.

So, while reflecting over the distance we have covered, we must ourselves again, especially on this day, that motion without purpose and direction means little.

The challenges that confront us as workers, consumers, and citizens are immense. We measure the value of our labor in hundreds of billions of dollars, our population in the tens of millions, the solutions to many of our problems in the time span of years. We find ourselves adrift in an increasingly impersonal culture, which, too often, makes us forget that the size and solidarity of organized labor is our greatest strength. Our fundamental power as individual workers and citizens rests upon recognition of the fact that no society is truly rich or secure when widespread poverty and deprivation exists within it.

In unity and wholeness there

is strength—and we in the labor movement have seen this strength grow stronger and can measure it by the benefits that we have achieved through collective bargaining and political action.

But we are far from satisfied; for there are great numbers, great parts of our society, who have not participated in the gains we have made.

We build machines to replace the work of men, and, while increasing our material comfort, sometimes forget the human costs of such progress.

Unemployment and underemployment fans the flames of social unrest. Dignity is destroyed where poverty makes its home. Lack of planning and the absence of equal opportunity for all threatens our cities with violence, our farm lands with urban sprawl, and perpetuates welfare instead of wages.

Playing upon these social and economic problems are the extremists, whose so-called "cures" only serve to spread, rather than cure, the disease.

And in our own state this year extremist forces are now busily at work, attempting to turn back the clock by wiping away the many gains we in organized labor have worked so hard to achieve over the years.

Yes, Labor Day 1966 finds us facing tremendous problems, but it also finds us possessing tremendous strength. Those who have gone before us faced equally great, if not greater, problems, and today we celebrate a day dedicated to their efforts in meeting and solving them.

The spirit of Labor Day testifies to the power of men and women who, having common problems, set about solving them—with deeds.

Labor Day is a time of rest and reflection — for tomorrow there remains much to be done.

Our present wages and working conditions resulted from the efforts of those who cared about others, as well as themselves. May we repay them in kind, and carry forth the job they left unfinished.

Knowledge

"Knowledge will forever govern ignorance, and a people who mean to be their own governors must arm themselves with power knowledge gives. A popular government without popular information or the means of acquiring it, is but a prologue to a farce and a tragedy or perhaps both." — James Madison.

OPINIONS

You Write 'Em . . .
We Run 'Em!

DOES LABOR PRESS ECHO C. OF C. LINE?

Editor, Labor Journal:

One question: Who reads and supports the East Bay Labor Journal?

Answer: Dues-paying members of organized labor in the East Bay.

Then why isn't the news of interest to those members published?

For instance, tell us why the AFLCIO meets in a non-union town such as Miami, Fla. Tell us why us dues-paying members are paying dues into the AFL-CIO, for just one thing: to represent us in Washington; to be blunt, to lobby in our interest. Have something to say about them falling flat on their faces, as over amending Section 14 (b) of the Taft-Hartley Law.

As I read your paper, all I get is mad because you talk about every subject except what we consider good for labor. You have been strangely quiet about the nurses' attempt to get a decent raise, also school teachers in the various towns. Those people work for a living, too.

You rap Hoffa. He isn't perfect by any means, but he does represent a large body of the labor movement. He is as tough as those with whom he must do business. My wish is that some of the other leaders would take a few lessons from him.

Let's have more news and less chamber of commerce propaganda in the labor press.

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WAR IN VIETNAM BOON TO BUSINESS

Editor, Labor Journal:

Here are quotations from "The Asia Letter," an information letter for businessmen:

"Dear Sir:

"Have your sales to Asia escalated with the war in Vietnam?"

"If your sales to Asia haven't gone up by at least 275 per cent, you're lagging behind."

"That's the estimate of what the escalation of the war in Vietnam has meant to American exporters in sales of goods and services to Asia."

"Asian markets — described by U.S. Secretary of State Dean Rusk as 'the markets of the future'—are becoming of vital importance in the profit picture of American firms."

"If you aren't increasing your sales in the Asian markets, you should be."

This is the "silver lining" to the cloud of escalation of suffering and death of which the same Secretary Rusk speaks with such extremeunction relating it to freedom and democracy. These boys know where Rusk's real interests lie and state it correctly.

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Carpenters 36

DAY BY DAY

Anyone can carry his burden, however hard, until a nightfall. Anyone can do his work, however hard, for one day. Anyone can live sweetly, patiently, lovingly, purely, 'til the sun goes down. And this is all that life really means. — Robert Louis Stevenson.

TEACHING

Teaching has become the recognized, supremely important profession. And for anyone who has a spark of interest in being of service to his fellow man, teaching can be the most challenging of all careers. — Pres. Lee DuBridge of CalTech.